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1. KEY POINTS IN DECISION WHETHER ATTEMPT SCREEN AND COPY
MICROFILM MATERIAL ARE CLEARLY:

A. DEGREE OF RISK IN ASKING PROVIDE BKHERALD
ACCESS TO MATERIAL. SPECIFICALLY, CAN WE COUNT ON FULL
COOPERATION AND DISCRETION, DOES SCHEDULE FOR PICK-UP
AND DEPOSIT OF FILM PERMIT SUFFICIENT TIME FOR COPYING TASK.
COULD OR WOULD UTILITY ATTEMPT CHECK ELAPSED TIME AND THEREBY
TRUSTWORTHINESS.

B. NATURE AND VALUE TO BKHERALD OF MATERIALS IN QUESTION.
2. ANOMALIES IN SITUATION AS DESCRIBED REF MAKE IT DIFFICULT
PROPERLY JUDGE THESE POINTS AND, THEREFORE, TO WEIGH RISK/GAIN
FACTORS. JIF UTILITY EXPECTS BE CALLED TO TESTIFY RE GUILLAUME
AFFAIR AND IS AFRAID RECORDS WILL BE SUBPQENAED, THEN ITALIAN
AND FRENCH REPOSITORIES WOULD SEEM PREFERABLE, FROM HIS STANDPOINT,
TO MUNICH SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES. ALSO, PARA 5 REF SPECULATION RE

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RECORDS OF VITAL DOCUMENTS DOES NOT APPEAR JIBE (AS TO SUBSTANCE AND TIME PERIOD OF DOCUMENTS) WITH SURMISE PER PARA 6 REF. INDEED, STORAGE OF MATERIAL OUTSIDE FEDREP SUGGESTS TO US THAT RECORDS MAY CONCERN DOMESTIC POLITICAL MATTERS. IN THIS CONNECTION RECALLS "CASE" WHICH UTILITY DISCUSSED WITH INVOLVING ALLEGED FAR-FLUNG AND EASTERN-MANIPULATED CONSPIRACY AGAINST FEDREP. IT POSSIBLE MATERIAL PERTAINS TO THIS AND OTHER UTILITY VEST-POCKET OPERATIONS.

3. BELIEVE MOST OTHERS WHO KNOW UTILITY BEST AND COULD MAKE EDUCATED GUESS RE NATURE OF MATERIALS ARE NOW RETIRED. WELCOME HEADQUARTERS COMMENTS RE POTENTIAL VALUE OF MATERIAL AND ANY OTHER POINTS REGARDING REF OR ABOVE.

4. PARA 8 REF IMPLIES WILLINGNESS TURN OVER MATERIAL FOR COPYING, AND THAT YOU PERCEIVE NO SECURITY HITCHES IN THIS ASPECT OF OPERATION. PLEASE CONFIRM AND COMMENT ON OTHER POINTS RAISED PARA 1 A ABOVE. IF POSSIBLE, PLEASE CLARIFY PARA 7 REF SCHEDULE RE FOLLOW-UP INSTRUCTIONS AND

 TRIP TO FRANCE, ALSO, FOR PLANNING PURPOSES WELCOME VIEW AS TO WILLINGNESS TRAVEL FROM FRANCE TO MUNICH VIA FRANKFURT FOR STOPOVER TO FACILITATE COPYING TASK.

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